PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Docket No: Q85660

Heiji WATANABE, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/521,311 Group Art Unit: 2812 Confirmation No.: 1690 Examiner: Kyoung LEE

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE, AND MANUFACTURING METHOD AND

MANUFACTURING APPARATUS OF THE SAME

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir:

This responds to the Restriction Requirement, dated December 19, 2006. In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-37 for examination. This election is made without traverse.

Applicants reserve the right to file a Divisional Application directed to non-elected claims 38-71.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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